

National Supply Employees Begin Drive for Hospital

Employees of National Supply Co. began their solicitation for the Torrance Memorial Hospital Building Fund today with their goal of 100 per cent participation. This kickoff meeting, scheduled to adjourn in 45 minutes, was extended to include a tour of the hospital by the group because of their interest in learning the present facilities of the hospital. "We didn't realize the crowd-

ed conditions and handicaps the hospital employees and doctors have to work under," was the general opinion of the men. **Same Kitchen** Some of the men, former patients in the 63-bed hospital, said they were surprised to find the present kitchen is the same as it was when the hospital was opened 30 years ago to serve 25 patients. Miss Doris Spoon, hospital dietitian, pointed, out to them that it is necessary for the kitchen staff to complete each operation, such as dishwashing or making salads, before another can be started, because of the shortage of working space.

See Chicken Wire The shortage of locker facilities and washup space for the hospital employees struck the visitors as an especially poor situation. They also remarked about the badly exposed hospital records and supplies, stored in the basement and protected only by chicken wire. Representing nearly all departments at National Supply, the

Driver's Auto Crushes Girl—But It's a Doll

A woman driver backed out of a driveway and smashed a baby doll to bits, and ruined three cotton blankets, Carmen Lloyd, reported to police. The victim said she was loading furniture into her car at 5438 Linda Dr., when the incident took place. Also, the victim said, the driver thumbed her nose when she drove by.

men at the hospital meeting were Paul Lessing, Paul Moser, Sanford Whiting, Jose Calderon, Norval Vorhis, Edward Dawson, John Barner, Harry Theodosios, John Polovick, Reuben Griess, Emil Wickman, and Jim Carmichael. Paul Lessing started the National Supply employees' fund drive rolling by taking out his life membership in the Torrance Hospital Assn. at the Friday meeting.

Committee Will Inspect County Rubbish Problem

Solution to the rubbish disposal problem now facing cities and unincorporated areas of the county was sought today in the formation of a joint study committee by the Board of Supervisors and the California League of Cities.

Ralph Hilton, Burbank city councilman and president of the Los Angeles County Division of the League, appeared before the Board at the invitation of Supervisor Burton W. Chace and stated that "this is a sincere effort to solve this acute problem, which faces every resident of Los Angeles County." Members of the League Committee, appointed by Hilton, are Roy Anderson, South Pasadena; John Crowley, Monterey Park; Curtis J. Davis, Culver City; Jess D. Gilkerson, Long Beach; Clayton Paige, Burbank; and Warren A. Schneider, director of the Bureau of Sanitation, Los Angeles.

Woman Caller Kicks, Rips, Then Leaves

It isn't only children of visitors who can be a problem, Robert Paul Frankie, of 428 W. 234th St., told sheriff's deputies Thursday.

He opened his door when he heard someone kicking and screaming outside. He admitted a young woman, an acquaintance of his wife. Instead of sitting down, she smashed the glass on his coffee table with her feet. Then excusing herself to go to the bathroom, she tore up one of Mrs. Frankie's skirts. Entering the bedroom, she burned cigarette holes in the bedspread and ripped up two sheets and pillow cases. Then, apparently bored with the hospitality, she abruptly walked out the door, the startled Frankie said.

Growth of West Told in Booklet

In a move to help attract new industries to the Western states and to promote general economic progress here, Columbia-Geneva Division of United States Steel has published a new booklet entitled, "Steel for Western In-

It is being widely distributed in response to requests from Chambers of Commerce and other business associations for information about the unabated postwar industrial growth in the west and manufacturing opportunities that abound here. Primarily, the publication is directed to industries that manufacture steel products. It says, in part: "To the steel-using industries of America, the west spells opportunity in terms that are solidly based on two primary essentials of a manufacturing enterprise — materials and markets." **West Growth Told** It points out that in little more than a decade, the west has gone to offer both of these requirements "on an abundant scale," and that because of this, manufacturers of steel products have been increasing rapidly in number and importance here. "Hand in hand with the great industrial and population growth that has been taking place in the west, its steel production has risen to the level of a major industry," it states. "A former dependence upon steel from other areas is being supplanted more and more by the west's own output, and a high degree of self-sufficiency has already been attained." United States Steel's investment of hundreds of millions of dollars in modern facilities and Columbia-Geneva's position as the largest supplier of steel in the 11 western states are pointed out, and a comprehensive digest of the division's products and services is presented with pictorial treatment.

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Meeting Set At Park View

A pot-luck dinner and the annual Christmas meeting will follow 11 a.m. services at the Park View Lutheran Church Sunday. Church policy will be discussed and officers will be selected from men nominated for the following posts:

Elders: G. Clark, J. Humphrey, and H. Wenschlag.
Trustees: M. Balua, Deacons: G. Derheim, B. Gilbard, O. Hanson, H. Hickam, and M. Meyers.
Women of the church will serve drinks and dessert for those in attendance and will care for children present, according to Mrs. Evelyn Tucker, president of the Helping Hand Circle.

Keep Your Life For Christmas, Officers Urge

"Don't give your life for Christmas." In offering these words of advice and caution to drivers and pedestrians, California Highway Patrol Commissioner B. R. Caldwell and Torrance Police Chief Willard Haslam pointed out that 342 persons were killed in the state during December, 1953. "A tragic fact is that 70 of these dead were killed in accidents involving drivers who had been drinking," the law enforcement men said. Speed, drunkenness, right-of-way and turning violations cause almost two-thirds of all death and injury accidents, according to Highway Patrol figures. December always is the blackest month of the year from a traffic accident standpoint. "The holiday season will find more relaxation in the Patrol's intensified enforcement program," Caldwell said. Haslam added that every available traffic man will be on duty during the month to "save your life for Christmas."

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